

26 September 1968

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

Morning Meeting of 26 September 1968

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DD/I advised that the 18 September SR-71 flight covered 5 percent of North Vietnam and that the quality of photography was only fair.

*DD/I noted that Bronson Tweedy's concern expressed [REDACTED] [REDACTED] yesterday arose from a DIA publication prepared for the Joint Chiefs and circulated to NATO which uses rather emotive language in discussing the possibility of another Soviet move against Czechoslovakia. Among other things, the DD/I continued, the incident illustrates the issue of unsatisfactory intelligence support of and relationships with NATO. The Director asked the DD/I to assign someone to explore the problems involved in intelligence relationships with NATO.

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*The Director reminded the DD/I and George Allen that he wishes to have in hand as soon as possible the cumulative figures on unearthed arms caches in South Vietnam.

Godfrey indicated that the Watch Committee report will receive an objection today from General Carroll, apparently related to Soviet intentions toward Rumania.

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D/ONE led a discussion on disputes which will arise at today's USIB meeting on NIE 11-8-68. The Director asked for a brief meeting on the Estimate after the Morning Meeting.

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Maury indicated that the order of battle figures which caused some confusion during yesterday's testimony before the Rivers Subcommittee have been straightened out and provided to Russ Blandford. The Director urged that in the future we anticipate such questions as those which caused the confusion yesterday and have in hand an agreed set of figures and their meaning before giving testimony.

Houston advised that predictably the American version of Mader's Who's Who in CIA is going to run into legal difficulty with the publishers of Who's Who in America.

Parrott reviewed the agenda for the PFIAB sessions next Thursday and Friday and noted the desire of the Board to be briefed on Soviet strategic capability, which D/ONE agreed to present.

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DD/P reported that the Secret Service has been in touch with us concerning Mr. Nixon's planned visit to Mexico during the Olympics.

DDCI discussed his presentation to the Air War College yesterday.

DDCI pointed to the need for USIB to go into executive session today on the matter of a new Chairman for GMAIC.

DDCI indicated that General Carroll appreciates the reason for the Director's letter to him on the NVA strength figures but indicated that he is in a difficult position on the matter. DDCI suggested that the Director meet with General Carroll to sort out the problem.

DDCI advised that [] discussed NIRB yesterday with General Maxwell Taylor and Gordon Gray.

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The Director indicated that Murrey Marder of the Washington Post is back from Paris and has been attempting to contact the Director. The Director asked Goodwin to get in touch with Mr. Marder and to deal with whatever he wants.

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*Extracted and sent to action officer

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